

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A ~~fuel-cell-purposed~~ separator for a fuel cell, comprising:
a gas passage having a plurality of stages that are connected via a turnaround portion; and
a bypass that connects an upstream-side stage of the gas passage to a downstream-side stage of the gas passage and that causes a gas that flows in via ~~a gas~~ an inlet of the bypass to flow out of ~~a gas~~ an outlet of the bypass;
wherein a gas inlet of the separator and a gas outlet of the separator are located at a same side of the separator and opposite to the bypass.
2. (Currently amended) The ~~fuel-cell-purposed~~ separator according to claim 1, wherein the gas passage is defined by a side wall of the separator and a rib, or by two ribs.
3. (Currently amended) The ~~fuel-cell-purposed~~ separator according to claim 2, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and [[a]] the gas inlet to the separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and [[a]] the gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.
4. (Currently amended) The ~~fuel-cell-purposed~~ separator according to claim 3, wherein a bypass outlet of the bypass and a distal end of a downstream-side partition rib overlap in a horizontal direction.
5. (Currently amended) The ~~fuel-cell-purposed~~ separator according to claim 1, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and [[a]] the gas inlet to the

separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and [[a]] the gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.

6. (Currently amended) A fuel cell-purposed separator for a fuel cell comprising:

a gas passage having a plurality of turnaround portions; and

a bypass that connects a most upstream-side turnaround portion of the gas passage to a most downstream-side turnaround portion of the gas passage,

wherein a gas inlet to the separator and a gas outlet from the separator are located at a same side of the separator and opposite to the bypass.

7. (Currently amended) The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 6, wherein the gas passage is defined by a side wall of the separator and a rib, or by two ribs.

8. (Currently amended) The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 7, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and [[a]] the gas inlet to the separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and [[a]] the gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.

9. (Currently amended) The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 8, wherein a bypass outlet of the bypass and a distal end of a most downstream-side partition rib overlap in a horizontal direction.

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) The fuel cell-purposed separator according to claim 6, wherein the separator is disposed parallel to a direction of gravity, and [[a]] the gas inlet to the separator is located in a lower portion of the separator, and [[a]] the gas outlet from the separator is located in an upper portion of the separator.